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Applicant: Leonard Forbes et al. Examiner: Viet Q. Nguyen
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Title: METHOD FOR OPERATING A MEMORY DEVICE HAVING AN
AMORPHOUS SILICON CARBIDE GATE INSULATOR

COMMUNICATION CONCERNING RELATED APPLICATION(S)

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11/236101	September 27, 2005	303.354US4	DEAPROM HAVING AMORPHOUS SILICON CARBIDE GATE INSULATOR
11/235963	September 27, 2005	303.378US4	CARBURIZED SILICON GATE INSULATORS FOR INTEGRATED CIRCUITS

Continuations and divisionals may be later filed on the cases listed above, or cited to the Examiner in any previous Communication Concerning Related Applications. Applicants request that the Examiner review all continuations and divisionals of the above-listed or previously-cited patent applications before allowing the claims of the present patent application.

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In compliance with the duty imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 *et. seq.*, the enclosed materials are brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the above-identified patent application. Applicants respectfully request that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed on the attached Form 1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Pursuant to the provisions of MPEP 609, Applicants request that a copy of the 1449 form, initialed as being considered by the Examiner, be returned to the Applicants with the next official communication.

Applicant wishes to bring to the Examiner's attention that cases related to the instant case are pending examination. Applicant has enclosed copies of Office Actions received in related applications, Application Serial No. 11/236,101 and Application Serial No. 11/235,963. Applicant submits that the claims of the instant application are patentable, and that these Office Actions are brought to the attention of the Examiner for his review.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b), it is believed that no fee or statement is required with the Information Disclosure Statement. However, if an additional fee is required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the required fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0743 in order to have this Information Disclosure Statement considered.

The Examiner is invited to contact the Applicants' Representative at the below-listed telephone number if there are any questions regarding this communication.

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Respectfully submitted,

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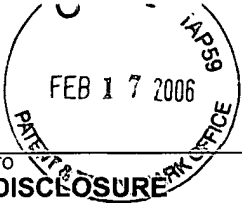
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OTHER DOCUMENTS -- NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

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